

Amendments to the Specification:

Please amend the paragraph starting at Page 15, Line 22 as follows:

A diastereoisomeric form of Z37A (Z37inv) was obtained by a stereoselective double Mitsunobu reaction (mp= 158°C) (David L. ~~Hugues~~ Hughes 1992, "The mitsunobu reaction", Organic Reactions, 42, 335). Its antiviral activity was found to be higher than the activity observed for either Z37A or the mixture of stereoisomers (see *infra*).